

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re U.S. Patent No. 7,396,897)	
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Issue Date: July 8, 2008)	Group Art Unit: 1796
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Inventor: Michel PHILIPPE et al.)	Examiner: Duc TRUONG
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Application No.: 10/821,914)	Conf. No. 2416
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Filed: April 12, 2004)	
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For: N- α - AND N- ϵ -LYSINE AND)	
ORNITHINE COMPOUNDS)	
COMPRISING A THIOL)	
FUNCTION AND COSMETIC)	
USE THEREOF)	

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Sir:

DETERMINATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT - POST GRANT

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) issued the subject U.S. Patent No. 7,396,897 (the '897 patent) on July 8, 2008, with a patent term adjustment (PTA) of 850 days. The application was filed on April 12, 2004. The USPTO reached the PTA of 850 days in view of a 850 day PTO delay to issue the first notification under 35 U.S.C. § 132 (dated October 10, 2007). See the Issue Notification dated June 18, 2008.

Thus, 272 days of USPTO delay accrued after the application had been pending for three years (after the mailing date of the Restriction Requirement to the issuance of the patent on July 8, 2008). Under the PTO's manner of calculating PTA, applicants were not provided those additional 272 days of PTO delay in the PTA.

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In view of the decision of the Federal District Court for the District of Columbia in Wyeth v. Dudas on September 30, 2008, patentee submits it is entitled to a total patent term adjustment of 1,122 days which is the sum of 272 days of patent term adjustment due to exceeding three year pendency accrued at the time the patent issued and 850 days resulting from the 850 day PTO delay to issue the first notification under 35 U.S.C. § 132.


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Respectfully submitted,

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